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SUBJ: GOI PLANS BAN ON FOREIGN FILM IMPORTS

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1. LOCAL PRESS REPORTS STATEMENT BY INFORMATION MINISTER MASHURI THAT GOI WILL BAN IMPORT OF OVERSEAS FILMS BY 1978. INTENTION OF RESTRICTION IS TO ENCOURAGE PROMOTION OF NATIONAL FILM PRODUCTION AND TO MAKE CLEAR THAT "NATIONAL FILM IS MASTER IN ITS OWN HOUSE."

2. MASHURI NOTED THAT SINCE 1972, WHEN 700 FOREIGN FILMS WERE IMPORTED, CUTS IN IMPORT QUOTA OF 100 FILMS PER YEAR HAD BEEN MADE, LEAVING 300 FOR CURRENT YEAR, 200 FOR NEXT AND ZERO THE FOLLOWING YEAR. HE MAINTAINED THAT DOMESTIC PRODUCERS WERE PRODUCING 100 FILMS A YEAR, SUFFICIENT FOR TWICE WEEKLY CHANGES BY THEATERS. NATIONAL FILM PRODUCTION IS TO BE ENCOURAGE THROUGH THE PROVISION OF GREATER FUNDING AND OF TRAINING FACILITIES FOR ACTORS, PRODUCERS AND DIRECTORS, HE REPORTEDLY ADDED.

3. COMMENT: AS DEPARTMENT AWARE MOTION PICTURE EXPORTS ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA (MPEAA) HAS BALKED AT DEALING WITH CONSORTIA ESTABLISHED TO IMPORT FOREIGN FILMS BUT HAS NOT QUESTIONED GOI'S RIGHT TO LIMIT NUMBER OF IMPORTS. MPEAA'S UNCLASSIFIED

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